UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KATHERINE MARCANO,

Plaintiff,

v.

23-CV-00201 (JAV)

SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF REASSIGNMENT

JEANNETTE A. VARGAS, United States District Judge:

This case has been reassigned to the undersigned. All counsel must familiarize themselves with the Court's Individual Practices, which are available at https://nysd.uscourts.gov/hon-jeannette-vargas. Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, all prior orders, dates, and deadlines shall remain in effect notwithstanding the case's reassignment. Specifically, the deadline for parties' Joint Pretrial Order remains **January 31, 2025.** Please note, the Joint Pretrial Order shall conform to the requirements set forth in Rule 8(F) of the Court's Individual Rules and Practices in Civil Cases. In addition, the deadline for filing motions in limine and pretrial memoranda of law, as set forth in Rules 8(G) and 8(H) of the Court's Individual Rules and Practices in Civil Cases, is **January 31, 2025.**

Counsel for all parties shall appear for a pretrial conference with the Court on **February** 13, 2025, at 10:00am, at which time the parties should be prepared to discuss a trial date. The conference will be held in Courtroom 14C, Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York 10007.

Additionally, the parties are hereby ORDERED to file on ECF a joint letter, described below, by **January 13, 2025**, updating the Court on the status of the case. The joint letter shall provide the following information, to the extent it is relevant, in separate paragraphs:

- Names of counsel and current contact information, if different from the information currently reflected on the docket;
- 2. A brief statement of the nature of the case and/or the principal defenses thereto;
- 3. A brief explanation of why jurisdiction and venue lie in this Court. In any action in which subject matter jurisdiction is founded on diversity of citizenship pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 1332, the letter must explain the basis for the parties' belief that diversity of citizenship exists. Where any party is a corporation, the letter shall state both the place of incorporation and the principal place of business. In cases where any party is a partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, or trust, the letter shall state the citizenship of each of the entity's members, shareholders, partners, and/or trustees;
- 4. A statement of all existing deadlines, due dates, and/or cut-off dates;
- 5. A brief description of any outstanding motions, including the date of the motion and the nature of the relief sought;
- 6. A statement and description of any pending appeals;
- 7. A brief description of the status of prior settlement discussions, without disclosing exact offers and demands;
- 8. A statement of whether the parties have discussed the use of alternate dispute resolution mechanisms and indicating whether the parties believe that (a) a settlement conference before a Magistrate Judge; (b) participation in the District's Mediation Program; and/or (c) retention of a privately retained mediator would be appropriate and, if so, when in the case the use of such a mechanism would be appropriate;

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9. Any other information that the parties believe may assist the Court in advancing

the case to settlement or trial, including, but not limited to, a description of any

dispositive or novel issue raised by the case.

If this case has been settled or otherwise terminated, counsel are not required to submit

such letter or to appear, provided that a stipulation of discontinuance, voluntary dismissal, or

other proof of termination is filed on the docket prior to the joint letter submission deadline,

using the appropriate ECF Filing Event. See SDNY ECF Rules & Instructions §§ 13.17-13.19,

available at http://nysd.uscourts.gov/ecf filing.php. Requests for extensions or adjournment

may be made only by letter-motion filed on ECF, and must be received at least two business days

before the deadline or scheduled appearance, absent compelling circumstances. The written

submission must state (1) the original date(s) set for the appearance or deadline(s) and the new

date(s) requested; (2) the reason(s) for the request; (3) the number of previous requests for

adjournment or extension; (4) whether these previous requests were granted or denied; and (5)

whether opposing counsel consents, and, if not, the reasons given by opposing counsel for

refusing to consent.

Dated: December 30, 2024

New York, New York

United States District Judge

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